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September 13, 2004

Bradley A. Smith, Chairman
Federal Election Commission
c/o Roy Q. Luckett, Attorney
999 East Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: MUR 5514
Charles McLaughlin

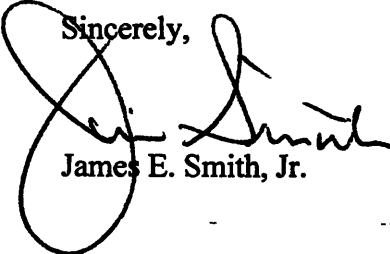
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Dear Mr. Luckett:

Attached is a Designation of Counsel Form executed by my client, Charles McLaughlin, in your matter under review No. 5514 along with an Affidavit executed by Mr. McLaughlin addressing matters raised in your "Reason to Believe" letter of August 12, 2004.

If you have any questions concerning any of the above, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,


James E. Smith, Jr.

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Enclosures

STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

MUR _____

NAME OF COUNSEL: James E. Smith, Jr.

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The above-named individual is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

9-1-04
Date

Charles McLaughlin
Signature

RESPONDENT'S NAME: Charles McLaughlin

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**AFFIDAVIT OF CHARLES MCLAUGHLIN CONCERNING CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE 2002 CAMPAIGNS OF CONGRESSMAN BERRY AND SENATOR
HUTCHINSON**

My name is Charles McLaughlin. I have read the "Reason to Believe" letter issued by the Federal Election Commission on August 12, 2004 and the legal and factual analysis attached thereto in Matter Under Review No. 5514.

In 2002, I contributed One Thousand Dollars and no/100 (\$1,000.00) each to the election campaigns of Congressman Berry and Senator Hutchinson and later, in the same election, contributed One Thousand Dollars and no/100 (\$1,000.00) to the "Hutchinson and Arkansas Victory Committee", a Committee supporting the re-election of Senator Hutchinson. These contributions were made by me personally and without any promise or expectation of reimbursement from any source. Neither I nor any entity with which I am affiliated has received or sought any such reimbursement.

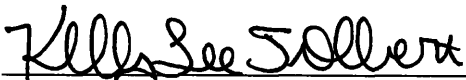
This statement is made under oath and subject to penalty of perjury.



CHARLES MCLAUGHLIN

STATE OF ARKANSAS)
)§
COUNTY OF PULASKI)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 13th day of September, 2004.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires

